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BOARD MEETING AGENDA

*Whitman College
Reid Campus Center, Ballroom A
345 Boyer Avenue, Walla Walla
May 25, 2006*

8:00 **Breakfast (Work Session) – Reid 110**
Informal discussion based upon committee meetings and other events.

9:00 **Welcome and Introductions**

- Gene Colin, HECB Chair
- Dr. George Bridges, President, Whitman College

Approval of the March 30, 2006 Meeting Minutes

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Consent Item

**New Academic Degree Program Approval: BS in Agricultural and
Food Systems, WSU**
Resolution 06-09

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9:15 **Report of the Executive Director**

Dr. Jim Sulton, executive director, will report on the status of various agency programs and activities, including:

- College and university applications and enrollment trends
- Transfer and articulation framework
- Washington Learns

9:30 **Guaranteed Education Tuition (GET) Program Enrollment**

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Betty Lochner, director of the GET program, will present key highlights of Washington's prepaid college tuition plan, which was established in 1997. The report will include the impact of recent federal laws on the treatment of prepaid plans.

10:00 Financial Aid Committee

Jesus Hernandez, chair

Review of Private Career School Eligibility Criteria to Participate in the State Need Grant Program**4**

John Klacik, director of Student Financial Assistance, and Helen Horton from ITT Technical Institute, representing the Washington Federation of Private Career Schools and Colleges, will brief the board on a project on which they and other representatives of the private career schools are currently collaborating. The project aims to review eligibility criteria for for-profit schools to participate in the State Need Grant program.

10:30 Education Committee

Dr. Sam Smith, chair

Discussion and Action: Statewide Higher Education Accountability Framework and Targets**5*****Resolution 06-10***

Government and University Relations director Chris Thompson and Debora Merle, higher education policy advisor to the governor, will discuss proposed changes to the current accountability framework. Changes were designed to combine separate accountability and monitoring requirements contained in the board's enabling legislation and the state's biennial budget. In addition, Thompson and Merle will discuss targets proposed by the state's public institutions for a variety of measures, such as number of degrees to be conferred, freshman retention and graduation rates.

11:30 Discussion and Action: Awards in the High-demand Grant Program**6*****Resolution 06-11***

As a response to student demand, employer demand, and below-average participation rates, the legislature has funded 80 full-time equivalencies (FTEs) to be distributed by the board for the 2006-2007 academic year. Joann Wiszmann, deputy director, will report on the competitive process used to award the grants. A review committee evaluated the proposals and made funding recommendations for the board's consideration.

12:00 Recess for Lunch*(Ballroom B - no official business)***1:00 Presentation and Action: Washington State Transition Mathematics Project and College Readiness Mathematics Standards****7****Master Plan Policy Proposal 8: Helping students make the transition to college*****Resolution 06-12***

Dr. Bill Moore, director of the Transition Mathematics Project (Coordinator, Assessment Learning and Teaching, SBCTC) will discuss what standards have been developed to minimize the number of students requiring remedial math when beginning college. Ricardo Sanchez, associate director for academic affairs, will provide background information and recommend board endorsement of the standards and continued support for and involvement in Phase II of the project.

1:45 Biennial Review of Academic Enrollments, Programs, and Locations 8
Master Plan Policy Proposal 6: Meeting Regional Higher Education Needs

In September 2005, the board approved a revised framework for approving new degree programs, creating off-campus teaching sites and centers, and assessment and reporting requirements for new and existing programs offered by the six public baccalaureate institutions. Dr. Randy Spaulding, senior associate director for Academic Affairs, will discuss the proposed classifications of existing off-campus instructional locations as teaching sites and centers and will summarize programs approved, name changes, reclassification and programs eliminated in the past two years.

2:15 Action: Rules Change – Resident Tuition Eligibility of Washington Tribal 9
Members***Resolution 06-13***

In accordance with legislation enacted in 2005, Spaulding will summarize the proposed rules change, which would instruct institutions to refer to the official list of federally recognized Washington tribes maintained by the Governor's Office of Indian Affairs to determine eligibility for resident tuition purposes. This language would eliminate the need to list specific eligible tribes in the Washington Administrative Code.

Public Comment**2:30 Adjournment**

Public Comment: A sign-in sheet is provided for public comment on any of the items presented above.
Meeting Accommodation: Persons who require special accommodation for attendance must call the HECB at 360.753.7800 as soon as possible before the meeting.

HECB 2006 Meeting Calendar

Regular Board Meeting	Advisory Council Meeting	Location
February 23, Thursday 9:00 – 4:00		Everett Community College Jackson Center Auditorium 2000 Tower St, Everett
March 30, Thursday 10:00 – 3:00		Western Washington University Old Main 340 516 High St, Bellingham
	April 20, Thursday 10:00 – 2:00	Highline Community College Student Union Bldg (#8), Mt. Skokomish 2400 S 240 th , Des Moines
May 25, Thursday 10:00 – 3:00		Whitman College Reid Campus Center, Ballroom B 345 Boyer Avenue, Walla Walla
	June 22, Thursday 10:00 – 2:00	Urban League of Metropolitan Seattle Annex 105 14 th Avenue, Seattle
July 27, Thursday 10:00 – 3:00		Grays Harbor Community College Building 200, Room 220 1620 Edward P. Smith Drive, Aberdeen
	August 24, Thursday 10:00 – 2:00	Tacoma Community College Senate Room, Opgaard Student Center 6501 S. 19 th , Tacoma
September 28, Thursday 8:00 – 5:00		State Investment Board Board Room 2700 Evergreen Parkway NW, Olympia
October 26, Thursday 10:00 – 3:00		Yakima Valley Community College Deccio Higher Education Ctr, Parker Room 16 th Avenue & Nob Hill Blvd, Yakima
	November 16, Thursday 10:00 – 2:00	Highline Community College Student Union Bldg (#8), Mt. Skokomish 2400 S 240 th , Des Moines
December 14, Thursday 10:00 – 3:00		University of Washington Walker Ames Room Seattle